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EDITORIAL

August already! where has the year gone? this is the month for many to take a well earned summer holiday, if that is you have a good one. This issue also covers September -a time when some clubs and societies change personnel especially if they are school related. So please if you have a change let us know so we can give correct details in the October/November issue The next issue also covers a time when autumn fairs happen and Xmas fairs are being planned. if your event is in the first few days of December then we need to let everyone know in the October/November issue.

If you have a particularly interesting holiday then why not write about it and send it in? Did you find a beautiful place? an interesting area? have an experience you would like to share. send it to us plus photos if you have any but these need to be portrait please.

Talking of deadlines this is **20th August** for the October/November issue. If you are away on holiday then please send as soon as you return thanks.
Editor

Cover Image - 'Bull Rushes at Swan Pond' by Peter Martin
Inside Front Cover - New Play Equipment on the Village Green
Inside Back Cover - Oompah Night poster
Back Cover - Hale Road Allotments Sale

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Major Events List

This list is intended to avoid major events clashing on the same day. It will only work if we are advised of all such events, so please let us know as soon as you can confirm the details.

A form is available at the back of this magazine. We will list them in this section of the Magazine and also on our website at www.swaveseymeridian.org.uk

Friday 15 September	Swavesey Windmill	Windmill Weekender - Great bands, Swavesey Windmill, tickets £7.50 one night, £10 for two nights. 01954 232247.
Saturday 16 September	Swavesey Windmill	Windmill Weekender - Great bands, Swavesey Windmill, £7.50 one night, £10 for two nights. 01954 232247.
Saturday 16 September	Hale Road Allotments	Fruit and Vegetable Sale - 10.00am - 4.00pm - a wide range of produce at the Hale Road Allotment car park
Sunday 17 September	Hale Road Allotments	Fruit and Vegetable Sale - 10.00am - 4.00pm - a wide range of produce at the Hale Road Allotment car park
Saturday 14 October	Swavesey Festival	Oompah Band, Swavesey Windmill, tickets £18 including hot dogs. 01954 232247.
Friday 17 November	Open Art	Cambridge Open Art Exhibition - 6pm - 9pm at Swavesey Village College. Preview Reception tickets £5
Saturday 18 November	Open Art	Cambridge Open Art Exhibition - 10am - 5pm at Swavesey Village College - Free Entry
Sunday 19 November	Open Art	Cambridge Open Art Exhibition - 10am - 4pm at Swavesey Village College - Free Entry

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

July		
Thursday 27	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
August		
Thursday 3	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Thursday 10	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Sunday 13	Thistle Green Sheltered Housing	Table Top Sale, 10-12 Noon at the Back of Thistle Green. Contact Libby Bennett 07712 411958
Thursday 17	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Thursday 24	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
September		
Friday 1	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins (Note Friday)
Thursday 7	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Thursday 14	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
Friday 15	Swavesey Windmill	Windmill Weekender - Great bands, Swavesey Windmill, tickets £7.50 one night, £10 for two nights. 01954 232247.
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Sunday 17	Hale Road Allotments	Fruit and Vegetable Sale- 10.00am - 4.00pm - a wide range of produce at the Hale Road Allotment car park
Thursday 21	Refuse Collection	Black Bin Collection
Thursday 28	Refuse Collection	Green & Blue Bins
October		
Saturday 14	Swavesey Festival	Oompah Band, Swavesey Windmill, tickets £18 including hot dogs. 01954 232247.

CLUB REPORTS

Swavesey Community Choir

Swavesey Community Choir would love you join them for our new term.

Singing and Smiles is what we are all about.

- We welcome people new to singing as well as more experienced singers.
- We will be restarting on the 13th of September.
- We meet from 7.30pm till 9.00pm at Swavesey Village College every Wednesday during term time. Do come along on the 13th or any Wednesday thereafter.
- We operate on a "come and try us out" basis before you need to join so no excuse not to take the plunge.
- We usually eat during rehearsals, but we dont bite the newcomers.....so be brave and give singing a go.

Website:http://www.swaveseycommunitychoir.co.uk/
Facebook:https://www.facebook.com/Swavesey-Community-Choir-176273139080729/

Swavesey W.I. Report

Dates for Diary.

August Garden Party at the Windmill.
September The First British Woman Doctor by Carole Pook.
October Harvest Supper.

I am very pleased to report that Swavesey W.I. 's membership is growing, our members are enjoying our new programme and the word is out that our W.I. is offering meetings that appeal. If this encourages you to come along and find out for yourself what we are all about, you would receive a very warm welcome. For more information please ring Deirdre 01954 230897.

We meet every second Monday in the month in the Memorial Hall 7.30pm. Visit the Memorial Hall Noticeboard, which is kept up to date with all our news.

On the second Thursday of the month, you can find us serving fresh coffee and homemade cakes at the Compass Cafe at the Bethel Chapel. This provides a friendly get together for all ages.

At our June meeting, our President Fiona Ross paid tribute to our long standing member Beryl Hendry who passed away in May this year. A treasured member. She will be very sadly missed by all her friends at Swavesey W.I.

www.swavesey-womens-institute.org.uk
www.facebook.com/Swavesey-Womens-Institute-611198178977768/

Swavesey & District History Society

May meeting. Since everyone likes maps, close on 70 members attended a presentation on 100 years of maps and surveys by Liz Carter, an experienced AEA speaker from Upton, near Alconbury. Liz detailed the history of survey maps. Originally they were ordinance maps for military use and these were the bases for the 1910 Ordnance Survey maps. Liz demonstrated several sites of these surveys, beginning with mapco.net which is an excellent free-access site for maps, including many old maps of London. It also leads to the very useful Lewis's map of England, 1840. Zooming in provides much detail. Additionally, the National Library of Scotland has put on line, entirely accessible for free, old maps of England, Scotland and Wales, again with a zoom facility.

The National Farm Survey, carried out between 1940 and 1943, was part of the Dig for Victory campaign to increase food production and is a map-based survey covering all holdings of 5 acres or more. The information is only available at the National Archives. Each farm on the maps is linked by four documents, the "prime survey" being completed by a surveyor. This gives details of the farmer and his family, how much land is rented or owned and how long the land has been occupied and even goes as far as listing the ability of the farmer as A, B or C depending on his attitude and competence. The farmer filled in the second document with details on his livestock and farm labourers. The third document covered all crops on the farm and the fourth listed motive power since this study was done at a time when horses were still widely used.

The 1910 Finance Act lead to what was unofficially known as the Second Domesday Survey because of the impressive detail it provided for every property, including factories, schools, pubs etc. and even derelict land in E, S and W. This survey was used for tax purposes and we were shown hand coloured charts with letters used to denote buildings with their precise description in a code, e.g. house B&T meaning a house made of brick and tile with numbers used as reference to all areas of land, large and small. These maps are available to view at the local county archives office. Surveyors visited a site to take detailed descriptions of all buildings and measure land after which an appropriate rate of tax was realised.

Other sources of maps and surveys were briefly outlined; thus the 1836 Tithe Commutation Act lead to production of a map-based survey and a detailed written supporting document with both local and national access.

June meeting. The booked speaker reported at a late stage that she was unable to attend so Carole Pook, the Society's Chairman, checked her extensive repertoire of presentations and delivered a fascinating talk on witchcraft, persecution and the Pendle Witches.

Before about 1600 when the country was under Catholic rule witchcraft was not illegal in England. Certainly there was a recognised wise woman in most villages who acted as midwife, nurse and apothecary using herbs to cure illnesses and injuries. Although these

women were often believed to have magical powers similar to witches they were accepted in society and even Edward IV's Queen Elizabeth Woodville in the second half of the 15th century was regarded as a witch. With the Reformation, the Protestants took a different view and when James I came to the throne the law changed since he was convinced that witchcraft was evil. The King James Bible says "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live". Christopher Marlowe and Ben Jonson wrote plays about witchcraft and Shakespeare wrote Macbeth in 1606 probably to please James I. Witches were nearly always women and it was considered that women living on their own were more likely to be witches because they were outside any man's control. From around 1600 to about 1750 a witchcraft craze engulfed Europe with thousands executed. In England around 500 witches were put to death over this period but the persecution was much more vigorous throughout Europe.

In 1612 in a remote part of north-east England, Catholic views were still largely adhered to but the ruling class wished to bring in the laws of King James. In this village around Pendle Hill were two rival families with an awesome reputation for witchcraft: the Chattox and the Demdike families. A good living could be made at the time by posing as witches and the two families, both rather poor, were each trying to make a living from healing by the use of herbs and magical powers but also straying into begging and extortion apparently. One day in March 1612 Alizon, one of the young Demdikes met John Law, a pedlar, and asked him for some pins. Law refused and they parted but as she looked back Alizon saw Law stumble and apparently become instantly lame. Seeing the chance of some prestige in being regarded as a powerful witch Alizon confessed that she caused the injury. Within days the local JP summoned 3 of the Demdikes who quickly accused the Chattox family of even more serious crimes linked to witchcraft. Three days later two Chattox members and one Demdike were summoned by the JP.

The situation very rapidly deteriorated, culminating in one of the most famous witch trials in England which took place at Lancashire Assizes on 18/19 August 1612 when 19 people went on trial en masse. Ten were from the group of twelve known as the Pendle Witches. By now the Pendle Witches were charged with the murders of ten people by the use of witchcraft. Of the ten - eight women and two men – nine were found guilty and executed by hanging; one was found not guilty. In 1736 all laws against witchcraft were repealed.

After a summer break, the History Society's first meeting for the 2017/18 season will be on Tuesday 19 September in the Global Environment Centre at SVC when, back by popular demand, Selwyn will give an all-new presentation on Fenland Farming 60 or 70 years ago, Part 2. You are advised to arrive early to avoid having to stand at the back.

The Neighbourhood Plan Project seeks to produce a development plan for Swavesey which will help to control the future development of the village as residents wish. As well as a questionnaire being distributed to all households there will be other opportunities to comment including clubs, societies, groups having a chance for a collective say. Make sure you get your views known – the History Society will.

19 September; Swavesey & District History Society returns

Year after year our programme contains a wide variety of expert speakers and really interesting local subjects. Earlier in 2017 the topics included –

- Stonea Camp, the Iceni and the Romans.
- The history of Chivers Jam factory at Histon.
- In a fen country churchyard.

The new season starts on a high note on Tuesday 19 September when Selwyn, following the major success of Part 1 in 2016, will present “Fenland Farming 60 or 70 Years Ago, Part 2”. The History Society meets on the third Tuesday of the month in The Global Environment Centre at Swavesey Village College. Our meetings, which start at 7.30 p.m. are very friendly, attract a big audience and are open to everyone who has any interest in local history. No need to book so just walk in and you will be made most welcome.

There is an annual subscription, but single meetings can be attended for a small cost. If you want further information about the Society contact our Secretary, Carolyn Redmayne, on 01954 230037.

Search on “Swavesey History Society” to see the subject/speaker programme, reports of earlier meetings and other information on our website.

Swavesey Spartans

Goodbye 2016/17 and Hello 2017/18

As you read this article the Spartans players will be looking forward to a new season of football. The 2017/18 season will be underway as soon as the schools open for their autumn terms in September. The summer has seen the club celebrating the 2016/17 season at our annual gathering on a scorching Father's Day on Swavesey Green, satisfying the governance inputs necessary from a children's football club and our annual new season registration evening. 2017/18 will bring new challenges especially for those young people playing organized games for the first time whilst living the Spartans club values "TREE" (Team-work, Respect, Enjoyment, Excellence). We expect to play games on Swavesey Green, Swavesey Village College and the recreation grounds of Fen Drayton and Elsworth due to the number of teams now nearing 20 from under 6s to under 17s and covering the needs of boys and girls. The 2 pleas to villagers are to come along and support our teams and visit the tea hut in the pavilion and we ask that litter and any mess made by dogs be cleared away - the safety of our players is of paramount importance to us. Thank you in anticipation of your continued support on these matters. Contact details for the club if you want to get involved, school year one parents your team will start to train in 2017/18, are at the back of this edition as usual, please do not hesitate to get in touch if you want anything clarifying.

Cambridgeshire Champions Again

Another fantastic season for Swavesey Spartans U13's (School year 8 gusting 9). Under the guidance of Mike Stokes and Jez Daniel they won their league for the second successive season, remaining unbeaten all season were matched all the way by Newmarket, resulting in a playoff at Cambridge Stadium, Spartans triumphed 1-0 and were presented with the trophy on Sunday 18 June. The squad was as follows Oliver Daniel, Josh Stokes, Kyle Hampton, Will Buck. Charlie Nicholson, Jakob Buckle, Ayo Opaleye, Sam Merricks, Sam Wilkinson, Jake Clayton, Jake Thurston, Matt Stewart, Matteo Codispoti, Dan Hawkins, Ryan Wilson, Ryan Watson and James Turner.

Swavesey Festival 100 Club

Three winners each month receive £60 or £30 or £15.
To take part in this popular competition phone
Sally Unwin on 01954 230200. Latest winners are;

	£	May 2017	June 2017
First prize	60	Larry Amure	Lisa Boyes
Second prize	30	Gordon Hilton-Jackson	Sam/Phil Dellar
Third prize	15	Geoff Green	Darren Unwin

Spartans Club Honours 2016/17			
Team	**Most Improved**	**Managers Player**	**Players Player**
U8's	Aaron Waters	Daniel Corbett	Josh Ward
U8's	Jack Mawer	Thomas Richards	Jack Morrison
U8's	Chris Edmond	Leo Russon	Motiejus Preidzius
U9's	William Fulcher	George Jennings	Alfie Till
U10's	Oliver Jones	Dexter Papworth	Santino Bianch
U11's	Thomas Marshall	Stanley Weir	Max Jordison
U12's	Joe Brock	Zach Wheildon	Ethan Lee
U13's	Ayo Opaleye	Will Buck	Jake Thurston
U14's	Samuel Titchins	Sam Oldham	Ollie Sargent
U15's	Rishi Sarkar	Evan Barrett	Lewis Perks
U17's	Elliot Errington	Andrew Shuker	Kailan Naidoo
U10's	Sheila Briginshaw	Emily White	Evie McCulloch
U12's	Iris Buddle	Olivia Till	Jen Fairweather
U14's	Maya Buddle	Tegan Collier	Sophie Nunn
U14's	Lauren Williams	Frankie Suckling	
U16's	Holly Whitehouse	Meadow Wooldridge	Holly Buck

Hale Road Allotments: Sale of Produce in September

Now that we are in our fifth year of crop production the long-term crops such as asparagus, rhubarb, strawberries, raspberries and other soft and also top fruit are producing very good crops. Some plot holders had difficulty keeping up with the speed of growth of their asparagus this spring and we must do something with all that spare rhubarb next year – those attending the Primary School Fair in mid-May 2018 might be keen customers if the price is right. Gooseberry bushes bear fruit mainly on three year old wood and older and in mid-June we were harvesting bumper crops with pies, jam and even gooseberry cakes being made and the rest going into the freezer. Strawberries grew very well both on commercial fields and on allotments in 2017. The raspberry season lasts for many weeks nowadays but raspberries are very susceptible to wet feet and since our soil is a little on the heavy side, at least at the Hale Road end, cane vigour tends to be modest. Nevertheless we get a decent crop and crunchy-topped raspberry and cinnamon muffins produce a lovely weekend treat.

August and September are always the most productive months on an allotment site and since most plot holders are experienced growers by now, having been at Hale Road allotments since set-up in October 2012, we expect heavy crops this year. We wish to share some of our success with other Swavesey residents so we will be holding a sale of produce in the car park at Hale Road allotments on Saturday and Sunday 16/17 September. We will keep prices low because our main aim is to give opportunity to taste really fresh food. Proceeds will go to the allotment's general funds. More details are given in the poster on the outside back page of this magazine. So come along and experience the freshest of produce because we can sally forth to quickly collect such as potatoes, runner beans, beetroot, cabbages, marrows, swedes, carrots, raspberries, sunflowers and possibly early crops of leeks and parsnips. There will inevitably be plenty of jam available because of all that fruit we picked in summer and also pickles and chutneys. While you are with us do walk around the site admiring the vast majority of crops and possibly sniggering at a few. You can even try out our waterless toilet if you wish.

We are well aware that our allotment site is a community facility and we wish to maintain close contact with villagers which is why we produce Meridian magazine articles to keep people aware of our progress. This year we are delighted too that the 1st Swavesey Beavers have a half-plot of their own and if their early progress is maintained they will have some good crops on display in mid-September. Furthermore, in July around 20 Year 8 and Year 9 students plus teachers from Swavesey Village College worked on our site all day over 3 days, bringing sandwiches with them, and carrying out various tasks including spreading shredded bark on paths, applying fertiliser to the main grass tracks, topping up sunken drainage channels with gravel and doing a bit of weeding. This all helps to maintain a community spirit.

Talking of community spirit, the Neighbourhood Plan Project seeks to produce a development plan for Swavesey which will help to control the future development of the village as residents wish. We are all involved in this. As well as a questionnaire being distributed to all households there will be other opportunities to comment including clubs, societies, groups having a chance for a collective say. Make sure you get your views known – Hale Road Allotments will because this is very important.

WE'RE NOT ONLY HERE FOR THE BEER,

though you might think differently when you read all there is to report this time. The final part of our season finished with several social events; we visited the Botanic Gardens and the Bumps on our last two Outside trips; once again we had an excellent dinner at Bourne Golf Club with good food, pleasant views across the greens, prize-giving and an entertaining talk from our visiting speaker, David Steele.

It seems we are starting the 2017/18 in the same way. The Committee has decided to start the Programme a week later than usual, on the 14th of September. This will be our usual Welcome Night when you are all invited for an evening of photographic talks and audio-visual shows presented by our best photographers; as usual there will be refresh-ments, wine and soft drinks (a blatant attempt to show you what a lovely, friendly club we have, hoping you will join us). All are welcome, not just potential new members, we enjoy seeing our old friends, as we do on Exhibition days. We ourselves will meet again after the Summer break a week before this; last term was so packed that we have put off our Annual barbecue until 7th September. This will be a pleasant get-together before we start the more serious stuff of lectures, competitions and workshops.

As yet it is not possible to give you any other dates for our next programme as it is still being arranged. All that is known so far is that a lucky few of us have managed to get on a Street Photography outing to East London led by an expert, David Mason, who spoke to us last March. This is sometime in November, by now probably fully booked, but there will be other opportunities as we have very good contacts with others who hold similar workshops on many various topics. By the time you receive your magazine the full programme should be available on the website

http:/www.swaveseycameraclub.co.uk

It will be full of lectures, workshops and competitions as usual, we promise.
Look forward to seeing you in September,

Mo Hadfield
Swavesey Camera Club

Windmill Weekender
15 - 16 September

Great bands including

- Back to the 80's
- MACCA
- Driver
- Glamtastic

Tickets :-
£7.50 one night
£10 two nights
From 01954 232247

rspb giving nature a home

News from Fen Drayton Lakes

By Luke Wake

What's been happening

This summer we have been busily constructing a new pond dipping platform opposite the car park. This new structure will allow visitors to explore the underwater world of Fen Drayton Lakes and give people the chance to study the magnificent minibeasts which call the lakes home. During the latter half of June we experienced a bit of a heat wave, this coupled with a very dry winter has meant that we have needed to water the trees in the orchard, as they were looking very thirsty indeed.

Wildlife

The reserve has been alive with wildlife this spring and summer, with dashes of colour and bursts of sound erupting all over the place. Common blue damselfly have been out in their thousands and have been joined by other damselflies such as variable, azure, blue-tailed and red-eyed. Dragonflies have also been whizzing around and have included scarce chaser, four-spotted chaser, black-tailed skimmer and brown hawker. Butterflies have also been on the wing, with it appearing to be a good year to see red admirals and meadow browns.

Moore Lake has been alive with the sound of the black-headed gull colony and the common terns have nested on our floating tern rafts across the reserve. The hedgerows have been alive with the sound of warblers, with ten different species breeding at the reserve.

Scarce chaser – Photo credit: Luke Wake

Get involved

We've a busy programme of events and activities this summer, including willow weaving, guided walks and lake dipping for the kids. Please visit our website or give us a call for booking details. Lake dipping and bug hunting are FREE this summer.

Visit rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes

Phone 01954 233260

Visit **rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes**

The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) is a registered charity:
England and Wales no. 207076, Scotland no. SC037654

Summer at Fen Drayton Lakes

Bug hunting & lake dipping safaris

Sun & Thur 10am-4pm - check dates
Go on a minibeast safari or dip into the water (or both) to explore the critters here at Fen Drayton Lakes. Free - just drop in.

Wednesday Wander

2nd Weds of each month - 10.15am
Join other like-minded nature lovers for a guided wander around the reserve to see what's about. Adult £4. Child/member £2

Dragonflies at the Lakes

Sunday 6 August - 1pm - 3pm
Join us for a guided walk around the reserve to learn more about these beauties. Adult £4. Child/Member half price. Please book.

Willow basket weaving workshop

Sun 10 Sept 10am - 4pm
Learn the basics of willow weaving and take home a handy basket at the end of the day. Please book. Member £20, non £25

Inspiring everyone to give nature a home

rspb.org.uk/fendraytonlakes

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VILLAGE NEWS

Beryl Hendry

Remembering Beryl Hendry who died 17.5.2017 at Arthur Rank Hospice after a short illness.

The Hendry and Hyde families want to say a BIG THANK YOU to friends in and around Swavesey for the cards, messages and outpouring of love and support we have received over the loss of our dear mother and grand-mother.

It was evident at Beryl's funeral how many people wanted to join us in celebrating her life. Colourful, kind, cheerful, vibrant and stylish were the recurring words used to remember her.

Beryl loved Swavesey and always supported community events. She joined Swavesey WI aged 21 and was their longest-serving member. She spent her early years in Station Road and after she and George were married they lived in Wallmans Lane and later moved just a few metres away to a retirement bungalow at Hobbledodds Close.

Due to your wonderful generosity we are able to present to Arthur Rank Hospice a donation in excess of £1600. Thank you

Cambridge Open Art Exhibition

Friday 17th November, 6pm – 9pm: Preview Reception, tickets £5

Saturday 18th November, 10am – 5pm, FREE ENTRY

Sunday 19th November, 10am – 4pm, FREE ENTRY

Cambridgeshire's major independant Open Art Exhibition featuring contemporary and traditional paintings, sculpture and prints. Hands on art activities for children. Cafe and artists stalls.

Venue: Swavesey Village College, Gibraltar Lane, Swavesey, CB24 4RS
For more information please email: info@coax.org.uk

Summer reading for your holidays.

The Summer Reading Scheme for young readers is underway

Join at the library

We have free Wifi access to computers, a wide range of books for all ages. We have regular story times for young children. Look out for our posters and notices on Swavesey Village life.

We continue to welcome donations of good quality books for our shelves or to sell to meet our running costs. Come and join us at the Village College

If you are a member of the County Library service you can borrow all our books. You can order books and other material for collection at our Library. You and all your family can also join the library with us and borrow up to 12 books each! And remember - it's all Free!!

Opening hours are now

Tuesday	15.30 to 17.30
Wednesday	18.00 to 20.00
Thursday	18.00 to 20.00

And the first Saturday in every month 10am to 12noon

Your Library Committee can be contacted through:

Richard Hart	202707	Sarah Hellon	230960
Jacqui Fuller	230774	Sue Jones	230650
John Pook	230978	Doug and Lorraine Hunt	232478

We always welcome volunteers to help man the Library so please join us and keep your library alive!!!

Doctors Surgeries

Swavesey Surgery
(01954) 230202
Out of hours 0330 123 9131
Website:-
www.swaveseysurgery.nhs.uk

Over Surgery
(01954) 231550
Out of hours 0330 123 9131
Website:- www.oversurgery.nhs.uk

Longstanton
(01954) 207600
Out of hours 111
Website:-
www.willinghammedicalpractice.nhs.uk

Bar Hill Surgery
(01954) 780442
Out of hours (01954) 780442 -
call will automatically be diverted
Website:- www.mhmaple.co.uk/

Fenstanton
7E High Street, Fenstanton
01480 461873
Out of hours 01480 461873.
call will automatically be diverted
Website:-
www.northcotehousesurgery

See our website at www.swaveseymeridian.org.uk for the full and latest surgery newsletters. Ed

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS URGENTLY NEEDED

OWLS Community Car Scheme provides a valuable and much needed service to those people living in Over, Willingham, Longstanton and Swavesey who need to attend medical appointments or make some social journeys, but are unable to access other means of transport.

In the last few months there has been an unprecedented demand for the OWLS service and the coordinators have sometimes struggled to find available drivers to undertake all the journeys.

We desperately need new drivers. Are you newly retired or have a few hours a week you could spare to help maintain this very important and expanding Community service? Drivers offer particular times/days when they are available – in practice about 4 journeys a month is very helpful

Drivers use their own cars and receive 45p a mile (30p from the customer +15p from C.C.C). Additional insurance cover is provided by Cambridgeshire County Council. Volunteers also have to undergo a DBS (formerly CRB) check.

PLEASE ring the scheme's mobile number: 07505 254363 if you think you may be able to help or would like more information.

Information from Over Surgery Newsletter

Looking after yourself and those at risk in hot weather

The heat can affect anyone, but some people run a greater risk of serious harm, these include the following:

- older people, especially those over 75
- babies and young children
- people with a serious chronic condition, particularly dementia, heart, breathing or mobility problems
- people with serious mental health problems
- people on certain medications, including those that affect sweating and temperature control (for example, diuretics, antihistamines, beta-blockers and antipsychotics
- people who are already ill and dehydrated (for example, from gastroenteritis)

What can I do?

- look out for neighbours, family or friends who may be isolated and unable to care for themselves; make sure they are able to keep cool during a heatwave
- make sure medicines are stored below 25°C or in the fridge (read the storage instructions on the packaging)
- have plenty of cold drinks, and avoid excess alcohol, caffeine, or drinks high in sugar. If drinking fruit juice, dilute it with water
- if you're not urinating frequently or your urine is dark, it's a sign that you're becoming dehydrated and need to drink more
- eat cold foods, particularly salads and fruit with a high water content
- wear suitable head wear, such as a wide-brimmed hat, to reduce exposure to the face, eyes, head and neck
- apply sunblock, or broad-spectrum sunscreens, with high sun protection factor (SPF) of at least SPF 15 with UVA protection regularly to exposed skin
- avoid extreme physical exertion. If you can't avoid strenuous outdoor activity, such as sport, DIY or gardening, keep it for cooler parts of the day – for example, in the early morning or evening
- children should not take part in vigorous physical activity on very hot days, such as when temperatures are above 30°C
- ensure that babies, children or older people are not left alone in stationary cars or other closed spaces
- look out for children in prams or pushchairs in hot weather; keep them in the shade, remove excess clothing, ensure there is adequate air flow, and check regularly to ensure they are not overheated

Take Control of your Diabetes

We are delighted to report that we received an excellent turn out for the diabetes educational session which was held on the 6th June.

Cambridgeshire & Peterborough age UK

Swavesey Community Warden Scheme

Support for independent living
Regular contact gives peace of mind
Extra support during times of need

Some examples of how the warden can help you:

- a listening ear
- making drinks and light meals
- watering plants
- feeding pets
- getting small items of shopping
- collecting prescriptions
- information and guidance

There is a small fee for the service which can be on a temporary or permanent basis according to need.

To contact the Community Warden Call 07436 102 736

Age UK Cambridgeshire & Peterborough, 2 Victoria Street, Chatteris, Cambridgeshire PE16 6AP

SCHOOLS INFORMATION

SUMMER ROCK SCHOOL 2017
29TH ~ 31ST AUGUST
SWAVESEY VILLAGE COLLEGE
A three day course run by established musicians giving students between the ages of 11 to 18 the opportunity to develop the skills needed to form and work within a band format.
Daily workshops with guest speakers alongside rehearsal sessions and one to one mentoring. Play original and cover songs, improve techniques, individual creativity and performance skills, culminating in a Grand Finale Performance at the Swavesey Venue on August 31st
Price: £75.00 To book: Email pmonk@swaveseyvc.co.uk

APRIL BURGESS MARTIN SCHOOL OF BALLET
BALLET AT OVER PRIMARY SCHOOL
THURSDAYS
AGE 3+ -17
CLASSICAL BALLET WITH FULLY TRAINED,
QUALIFIED, EXPERIENCED TEACHER
ASSOC. MEMBER ARBTA ;MEMBER BDQT
DBS CHECKED "PREVENT" TRAINED
DETAILS ww.abmschoolofdance.co.uk
CLASSES ALSO IN GIRTON HISTON & COTTENHAM

Swavesey Music School

9am – 10am	Sing Up	choir	4yrs – 12yrs
10am – 11am	Rockin' Rhythms I	interactive theory lessons	4yrs – 7yrs
	Rockin' Rhythms II		8+yrs
	Rockin' Rhythms III		Grade 3+
NEW CLASS!	Rock School Rockets	guitars, drums	beginners
11am – 12pm	SMS Community Orchestra	instrumental ensemble	all levels; all ages
	Rock School	guitars, drums, vocals	9+yrs

Now in its 9th. Year!

Check out our new class: RS Rockets

Also, SMS Community Orchestra, open to all ages; adults, parents: why not pick up that instrument from youth and join us on a Saturday morning? Email for more information and to check availability.

£4 per session!

Swavesey Music School
Swavesey Village College
Gibraltar Lane
Swavesey
CB24 4RS

Audrey Caldwell, Director of Music
acaldwell@swaveseyvc.co.uk
http://swaveseyms.co.uk/

Swavesey Playtimers

Tuesday 10-11.30am
In the back room of the Bethel Church, different craft activities, stories and themes each week. £2

Wednesday 10–12noon
At the Memorial Hall, singing with Sharon from 11.15am, all ages. £4

All children under 5 welcome to these term-time toddler groups. Find out what is going on from our Facebook group – "Swavesey playgroups". A great chance to meet local parents.

Adult Education at Swavesey Village College

Informal learning can at its best transform people's lives. Whether it's personal fulfilment, keeping active and independent, gaining increased confidence or opening a door to further opportunities, informal learning contributes hugely to the health and well-being of individuals and wider society. Here at Swavesey Village College we offer a wide variety of different courses, come and join us for the autumn term.

You can help with the cost of someone's special day with our Affordable Wedding Floristry course - First Class FREE

Learn to play the guitar or banjo in our absolute beginners' classes.

Study how to communicate better with people who have hearing impairment with our Introduction to British Sign Language course.

New languages for the new term: Mandarin and Latin - all for beginners.

Active classes available include Aerobics, Fitsteps, Zumba or Contemporary Dance.

Discover new cooking skills with our Curry in a Hurry course, Chinese cookery or Flour Power! Best of Bread Making.

Saturday workshops will be running in November including Harmonica, Reiki & One Day First Aid and many more....

For details of all our classes and to book your place please visit the college website swaveseyvc.co.uk, Community tab, email us on community@swaveseyvc.co.uk or call us on 01954 234488

Swavesey Village College, Gibraltar Lane, Swavesey, Cambridge, CB24 4RS Phone: 01954 234488
Email: community@swaveseyvc.co.uk

Rainbows are 30!

1st Swavesey Rainbows are celebrating Rainbows' 30th Birthday this year. We took 9 of our girls to Gilwell Park for 'Fundays 2017', joining in with Rainbow units from Great Ouse Division, we travelled together by coach.

Swavesey Rainbows enjoyed many activities including tasting astronaut food, making and eating camp donuts, working together to pull their raft across the lake (and back again!), riding in the inflatable parachute and earning a certificate and 'bear' fruit snack following a series of five activities.

The latter part of the Summer Term was spent working towards the Rainbow 30th Birthday Challenge Badge made by Girlguiding Shirley, which included finding out the history of Rainbows, including Rainbow Rabbit, and making crafts based on pearls and rabbits. The term was ended with a celebration party at which we said Goodbye to another seven Rainbows moving on to Brownies. This was extra sad as these girls are the last of our original Rainbows when we opened the unit in September 2015. It's great though, that they have remained with us and are keen and ready to move on to the next section in Girlguiding.

The Autumn Term will see us continuing to celebrate Rainbows 30th Birthday and also preparing for the Over District Gang Show to be held in November.

If your daughter would like to join Rainbows then please sign her up here: www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/

Please, please don't wait until she is five though, you will find us full with no spaces! Do consider that there are units in Over and Bar Hill when signing up.

If you are an adult who would like to volunteer with Girlguiding with any section, then please use the same link.

Caroline Stevens

A Glance at the Past in August and September
From the Cambridge Chronicle

1799, 31 Aug. Enclosure Notice. Application is intended to Parliament in the next Session to bring in a Bill to obtain an Act for dividing, allotting and exonerating from Tithes the several Open Fields, Commons, Meadows, Lammas & Midsummer Grounds and other waste grounds in the Parish. Edward Randall, Steward of the Manor of Swavesey.

1841, 25 Sept. Foundation Stone of New School. Next Tuesday the ceremony of laying the Foundation Stone of the new school for 100 boys & 100 girls will take place.

1843, 9 Sept. Malicious Damage. Last Sunday some persons broke & damaged the fences of Hall (Hale) Field belonging to John Dodson. A reward of £4 offered for the apprehension of guilty persons.

1846, 5 Sept. Cricket. A match was played in this village in a field belonging to Joseph Carter, between Swavesey & Huntingdon Albion; Swavesey won by seven wickets. There will be a return match next week at Huntingdon.

1852, 21 Aug. Horticultural Society Established. The first Show is fixed for Thursday next, and will be holden at the National School, by permission of Rev. J. Walton. Mr. Wickham of the Swavesey Brewery is the acting Hon. Secretary and will be happy to give any information required.

1853, 27 Aug. Packing a Butcher. On Tuesday last, one of the knights of the cleaver was comfortably packed up in a haycart, at one of the Public Houses in Cambridge, after partaking freely of John Barleycorn, but fortunately his horse being so accustomed to the road, arrived safely with the carcase to the great delight of his wife and children.

1854, 9 Sept. The Harvest. The sickle and scythe have cleared hundreds of acres and the produce is safely stacked. Last season due to the floods farmers were obliged to lay it in their yards for manure. The crop is abundant and where the wheat appears thin it is compensated by the size and weight of the ears. The barley will be admirable malting quality. Oats, beans & peas are prolific, whilst root crops, swedes & turnips never looked better.

1856, 6 Sept. Cucumbers. New trade, vast quantities of cucumbers are now grown and sent by railway every day to London. One firm in the parish cultivates 34 acres of cucumbers.

1857, 5 Sept. Harvest Home. The completion of a bountiful harvest was celebrated on Friday 28th ult. By Mr. Long in a joyous manner. There was a procession headed by a waggon drawn by five pair of horses ridden postillions, all decorated with flowers; at the Manor House a feast was prepared for great & small and a day and evening of hearty thankful enjoyment passed.

1863, 1 Aug. School Treat. The annual treat of tea and cakes for Sunday School and Day School scholars was given. Afterwards games and racing took place in the field adjoining Mr. Long's.

1863, 26 Sept. Excursion. 72 people travelled on the 1st railway excursion from Swavesey to Yarmouth, although it was showery. They enjoyed the 'Yarmouth Beef'. Arrived back about 2 a.m. the next morning.

1865, 16 Sept. Harvest Festival. On Sept 12th there was a Choral Service at the Church. The pillars were decorated with sheaves of wheat, barley & oats. Rev. W. G. Searle, Vicar of Oakington gave the sermon. Collection raised £5-2-6½ for Addenbrooke's Hospital.

1866, 11 Aug. Great Fire. This began on F. Carter's farm just after one o'clock midday. Sparks from the fire ignited the thatch roof of the Malting House of the Brewery opposite. Then the thatched roof of the Bluebell (public house, Mr. Cain) caught fire and the house was completely burnt out, including small grocery shop run by Jesse Hepher. The fire then crossed the road again and finally burnt out in Benjamin Carter's farm. The fire extended for about a quarter of a mile along the road but did not penetrate deeply on each side. It was a very windy day and the property destroyed amounts to several thousands of pounds. The Fire Engines from Swavesey and Over fought the blaze.

1866, 4 Aug. Crystal Palace Excursion. On Monday last eleven of the First Class boys of the Night School went with the Rev. Sharpe & Mr. G. Long by the Huntingdon excursion to see the Palace Grounds.

1867, 28 Sept. The Late Storm. George Dodson, who lost all his harvest in the storm, was presented with about £4 collected by Mr. C. Richman.

1873, 27 Sept. Fire on Christopher Parson's farm, destroyed all his corn. Caused by sparks from a steam threshing machine. The loss amounted to £2,000. Mr. Prior's premises adjoining were partially destroyed.

1879, 6 Sept. Railway Station Robbery. W. T. a porter at the station charged with stealing a pair of men's boots, value 14/-, some gooseberries, value 7/9, about 8 lbs suet worth 5/-, the property of G.E.R. Committed for trial.

1880, 25 Sept. Mr. Docksey of Manor Farm on Saturday last gave a good substantial dinner to about thirty of his harvest men, at the White Horse.

1884, 19 Sept. Primitive Methodists anniversary service held last Sunday in the Chapel. Sermon given by Rv. A. Morten. On Wednesday a public tea given by Miss Thoday, Jellings, Brooks, Payn, Ding & Andrews. There was a good attendance.

1885, 7 Aug. Firemen's Refusal. A fire broke out in a thatched roof cottage owned by Mrs. Papworth, occupied by Jabez Parish jun. as a shoemaker's shop. The village firemen refused to deal with it and the engine was taken back to the shed. Consequently three tenements, one a good brick and slate building occupied by Mrs. Wm. Thorpe was destroyed. The firemen were not paid by the Assurance Office for the last fire. Supposed that the fire was intentional.

1897, 6 Aug. Swine Fever. Exemplary fine at the Barton & Trent Police Court on John Taylor, Farmer, of Heminglow, Staffs, who was fined £12-10-0d, for removing from Cambridgeshire 52 swine without obtaining a certificate licence from the Local Authority of Stafford. The swine were sent by M. F. of Fen Drayton from Swavesey Station, and shortly afterwards some of them fell ill with Swine Fever. To prevent the spread of the disease all those that could be traced were killed.

1899, 8 Sept. Farm Fire at Manor Farm, occupied by Mr. Norman. The fire started in a stack and was caused by a spark from a passing threshing machine engine. A large barn, farm implements, cowsheds, stabling, a stack of barley and pea straw destroyed. Attempt made to use the ancient fire engine which was built in 1827, but it was out of order and no use whatever. There was a good supply of water from a pond and pump nearby. During the fire some spectators narrowly missed injury when a wall collapsed. Damage about £100. Insured with Imperial Fire Office.

1899, 22 Sept. Good Record. Quiver certificates were awarded to four teachers at the Bethel Chapel Sunday School for twenty or more years' service in one Sunday School, Mr. & Mrs. T. W. Carter, Mr. S. Hayes and Mr. B. Prior.

Chris Richardson

Daisy Loveland. A Swavesey Childhood, 1880 to 1896. Part 4 of 5. Daisy shows her kind nature.

What is now the Costcutter Store in Swavesey was built in the 1860s and originally named London House. There are senior residents of Swavesey who still remember this name on the front door. Daisy was born there in 1880 and the memories of her early years in the village remained both clear and dear to her, so much so that in 1963 when she was 83 years old she produced a beautifully hand-written report of her early life. Her enchanting style of writing rapidly takes the reader from one detail to another.

Another small industry was "rod peeling". Bundles of fresh osiers were portioned out and each one went through a device which took all the peel away and left a long white rod, and these were left to dry thoroughly for basket making. I had a day at this work helping an elderly woman, adding a bit more interest to life. I cannot remember my sisters being with me in all these village occupations – guess I was of a different type – maybe of course on account of my being born in the village and they in London.

At lambing time I would be found helping and often helped an old shepherd, carrying some of the weaker lambs to another field – lovely memories. Is there any wonder that I have never lost my love and great interest for the country and country people?

We had wonderful parents with great ideals and standards of life and I should say that their motto was "Others" – always giving help and sympathy where needed, but in a quiet way. One family where I might often be found was in very poor circumstances and had two girls who never walked. They had beds or couches in their only sitting room, one by a wall and the other by a window. Their father's earnings were 10 shillings or 12 shillings a week at the very most. He was a cowman I believe, and very lame. The mother was a bright, healthy cheerful woman who had been in "good service". I think today the girls would have been called spastics but I was told they had "no marrow in their bones" and that their parents were first cousins. This I could not understand as I was only in my early teens. They looked forward to my visits as I would read to them, also take brown sugar and make toffee over the fire, cut their straight fringes into "Hind's Curlers", giving them much pleasure to know they had curls. They were uneducated but not simple. Now – 1963 – they would have been helped. Rug making was another interest for them. Nice pieces of rag and cloth were collected and their mother prepared a clean piece of sacking and could help to pick up the coloured pieces as I did a bit of pegging. It gave them so much pleasure. They continually wanted me to stay for dinner. One day in my holidays my Mother said I could. I well remember a large black pot hanging over the fire. It contained a small piece of streaky pork and numerous vegetables in separate nets (they were called potato nets). We had vegetables and gravy but the pork was taken out and kept to get cold for their father to take to work. He no doubt enjoyed it with a lump of bread cut using his "shut knife" (pocket knife). It sounds good today (1963) if hungry. Needless to say, in my basket were other things from home to have as "afters" – luxuries for the girls and their mother.

Two outstanding events were the Village Feast and Fair and the Sunday school treats. We were always warned when Feast Day came near, NEVER, NEVER go into a dancing booth, so I am not a dancer now.

The Sunday school treat was a red letter day. All assembled in the schoolroom to have a few words from the Superintendent, sing a good rousing hymn then off to a large field where swings were prepared safely under lovely old trees which had seen many children year after year. We had a grand tea sitting on the grass. We all had to take our own mugs. Then there were games of all sorts, scrambles for sweets, and as is today the quickest and roughest gathered most, but all were presented when leaving with a bag of mixed sweets. In those days sweets were 4 ozs for one penny so I expect we all had that amount as we went through the gates for home.

"Band of Hope" was another weekly excitement where noise abounded. We all signed the pledge and sang "My drink is water bright" and "Dare to be a Daniel". Many of the members have now gone on. I know only of my brother who is 81. He was one of the boys. We had an annual concert in a large barn cleaned for the occasion – a real "do" indeed. I remember reciting my piece, "The drunkard's child" or something to that effect. There was such a noise at the back of the barn that I stood and said "I shall not commence until you boys are silent" and the response was "Go it Daisy". We girls all had white dresses and sashes of blue sateen. For those who could not afford the expense the leaders made dresses in fine white calico – no doubt as smart as many a teenager today.

PARISH AND COUNTY NEWS

From Your DC - Sue Ellington

Dear all
Well we had the election and now the Government has to deal with the fallout, but I hope by the time you get this they will have established a robust government which can move forward positively with leaving the European Union.

But South Cambs District Council is moving forward in a robust way. Well, for a start I have been given a new portfolio for Health and Wellbeing. I have to say I am absolutely delighted and will be introducing a range of ideas to improve the Wellbeing of all residents in South Cambs.

Over the last three months I have chaired a task and finish group of South Cambs members to look at Social Isolation in the District. We have received information from Public Health Researchers, Healthwatch, Age UK, Care Network, New Community planners, housing and many leaders of "Good Practice" across the county. It has been clear that it is not just the elderly who are isolated, it can be the young mums in a new community or the teenager who has no transport to get to events and activities and few friends of a similar age in a small village. It is also evident that social isolation leads to significant ill health both mentally and physically. We need to tackle this - and I just got the job to do it!!

I plan to write the report with recommendations over the next 2 months and report to cabinet in September. Of course there are financial constraints but there is a whole lot which communities can do to improve the situation and the Council can pump, prime, and support. If you have ideas or suggestions please contact me.

The Out of Hours Service move to Addenbrookes was delayed by asbestos! But plans continue to start the service in August. As a member of the team who are organising the move, there are times when I think "you could not make it up" but the team are persistent and have the patients' best intentions at heart so it will be OK. But if not, let me know.

So have a good summer, enjoy the opportunity to be outside, keep me informed of any issues you have with the council and I will go on fighting your corner.

As always phone me on 01954202923 or 07774146331 or email me at cllr.ellington@scambs.gov.uk

Sue Ellington - Portfolio Holder for Health and Wellbeing
South Cambs District Council

Chairman of South Cambridgeshire District Council

The Chairman of Council has civic duties as well as day to day council activities. The Civic duties involve wearing the Council badge and chains to represent the Council in formal settings, Royal visits and South Cambs Council led activities. The day to day Chairman activities includes Chairing the full council meeting and the Civic Affairs Committee.

In 2013 I was invited to become Vice Chairman with the expectation of being chairman after two years. The Chairman has to be impartial and apolitical to ensure all members feel they can represent their residents appropriately. There is obviously a constitution which gives guidelines but many issues are down to the chairman"s judgement and I felt honoured that several opposition members voiced their satisfaction with my chairmanship when I stepped down in May.

From the outset I was quite determined to be addressed as Chairman. To me this is the name of the position and I would not tolerate "madam chairman" or "chair." At full council meetings I found comfort in having a legal adviser sitting next to me so that when challenges, amendments, points of clarification and disagreements in procedure were raised I could rely on legal advice. I always had to remember that the council decisions can be legally challenged and may affect residents adversely , so they could be subject to judicial review.

But I remember the civic duties best - I had asked Sue Atkinson to be my consort so I had a companion to make sure I found the right place (I am extremely good at getting lost!). Sue and I had a fantastic time during those four years. We went to several Lord Lieutenant and High Sheriff"s receptions which included the mass band of the Royal Marines on one occasion. The Royal visits to open commercial and Public buildings included the Duchess of Cornwall, Prince Charles, The Princess Royal, Duke of Wessex and Duke of Gloucester. The highlight was an invitation to a Royal Garden party at Buckingham Palace last May. It was wet, but sensational.

The Civic Year starts in May with veterans day at The Madingley American Cemetery where the new chairmen has to lay a wreath. It sounded simple - until I found the florist had not delivered my wreath! I just pretended to lay an imaginary wreath - very embarrassing . The year goes on to lots of invitations to Mayor and Chairman making occasions - usually in church with a civic procession to the Town Hall. That sounds fine except the pace of the band usually meant we were overtaken by the drum majorettes! We soon learned to hang back at our own speed. Following this is the Harvest Festival Season- more church services in far flung parts of Cambridgeshire, Peterborough , Northampton and Bury. The Civic receptions are followed by the Carol Services - We did about 22 Carol services last year including those for local charities and village events. The New year brings charity events - we always believed we should pay for our

own tickets etc. as we usually had a really good concert or supper. I beat the Wisbech Mayor at Bowls and got a cup even though I had never played before.

At the outset of taking up the chairman post I said I wanted my charity to be "Dogs for Good" . a charity which trains dogs to help disabled people overcome their disability and become independent. I promised I would raise £5000 in 2 years which would pay to rear a puppy and train it for an individual. We ran quizzes, a name the puppy competition, raffles, sold fruit and jam, and charged councillors £10 every time their phone went off in a meeting! We achieved the goal and "Hope" is now being trained for a disabled person.

Wonderful memories and many new friends, but the best occasions were those with schools, elderly residents, and local people. Opening refurbished Village Halls, new housing, community orchards and special birthday parties. Thank you South Cambs.

Sue Ellington
Swavesey Ward District Councillor

From Your CC - Mandy Smith

Good Day

Following on from the County Council Elections in May. I was re-elected to serve for the next 4 years. This is a great honour and I am grateful for your support.

The County Council, now has 61 Councillors, instead of 69 and The Papworth and Swavesey Division has grown from 10 Villages to 13.

We are still operating under The Committee System. We also still make appointments to outside bodies, I am now a member of The Fire Authority, as well as other Committees/ outside bodies. Please contact me if you would like any further information.

I am still contacted about issues that have been ongoing.
Speeding - safety concerns toward The Primary School - Please do send me any comments you may have about these or any other issues.

I look forward to meeting you soon.

Kind regards
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SWAVESEY PARISH

Parish Council News May June 2017

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
At the May meeting of the PC Warren Wright was confirmed as chairman for the coming year and the representation of PC members for various posts and village organisations was reviewed. The appointments made can be accessed on the minutes of the meeting on the village website.

COUNTY COUNCIL
Work to the road markings and pothole repairs to Market Street have been completed by the County Highways Department early feedback received by the PC is positive and further feedback from those parking in Market Street will be welcomed.

The large potholes in the busway car park have been filled.

The rain water build up in Black Horse Lane/Chantry Close and in the Market Street Parking area are being followed up by our County Cllr and the Clerk with the County Council.

The Local Highways Improvement Project, which will add an additional 40mph restriction to the approach to the village before the last bend on Ramper Road, was agreed and will proceed.

The PC will undertake some additional verge cutting in Whitton Close on behalf of the County Council.

County Council officers will attend the July PC meeting to discuss a review of the County Council owned nature reserves in the village.

DISTRICT COUNCIL
The Greenways project to introduce green space to South Cambs was discussed. The PC thought that most of the proposals used existing routes such as the busway and cycleway. The PC responded to the consultation by asking for more local cycle paths linking us to local villages.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH AND POLICE BUSINESS
The Police have warned that traffic in the village will increase as the works to the A14 progress and will make a Speedwatch system available to the village to help with speeding traffic, if a volunteer Speedwatch Group can be formed. A few villagers have volunteered to support the team but more volunteers are required to be trained for this if it is to run successfully.

DRAINAGE
The PC still await news from the Environment Agency on progress with the works to the river bank and Mare Fen.

COUNCIL NEWS

VILLAGE MATTERS

A project to improve the public open area between Priory Avenue and Carters Way with planting, new ground surfaces seating and play features has been agreed. The PC is to progress the project once drainage problems are resolved.

A sports play wall and table tennis table have been installed on the Recreation Green. They include new play surfaces which are designed to allow some give underfoot but are NOT suitable for football boots or studs. Please only use trainers when using the equipment.

The PC is seeking support from the A14 grants for community projects and is following up residents' concerns arising from the works.

The A14 information team attended the Primary School summer fete to bring the latest news to the village,

Problems associated with overflowing bins near the Post Office are being pursued with the District Council.

The PC has agreed policies for the use of community gazebos and the electric supply on Market Street Green details are available from the Clerk.

PLANNING

The planning application for the housing proposed at Dairy Farm Boxworth End has been refused by South District Council. The results of a number of planning appeals are still awaited. The appeal lodged re the refusal of the first planning application by Bloor Homes will be held in public at a date to be announced.

The PC is considering an offer of recreation land associated with the planning approval for 30 houses off Boxworth End.

The PC considered a number of other planning applications, details of the discussions can be found in the meeting minutes on the PC website.

QUALITY AWARD – Local Council Award Scheme

The PC is progressing towards updating our Quality Council status to meet more demanding standards and enable us to continue access the benefits it brings to us.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

The Neighbourhood Planning Group is now at work in developing our plan. They are analysing data and have prepared a questionnaire which will be circulated to a representative selection of villagers to determine the key issues the plan

QUALITY PARISH COUNCIL

Council Agendas, Minutes and current issues can all be found on the Parish Council webpage at www.swavesey.org.uk

Swavesey Parish Council

Website:- www.swavesey.org.uk

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New Parish Council Website

www.swavesey.org.uk

Same website address but now with an improved and updated look

Take a look to find out….

- the latest news and information about the village
- agendas, minutes and Parish Council news
- links to village clubs and organisations
- links to District and County Council consultations

The Thomas Galon Charity

In the year 1528, Thomas Galon left land for the benefit of the community of Swavesey. A charity was set up enabling Trustees to distribute the income from this land to residents in need. Today the Trustees generally meet twice a year, in April and November to consider grants to benefit local residents.

Energy Grant Scheme
An Energy Grant Scheme is available for elderly residents. Under this scheme, villagers who are aged 70 or over and have lived in the village for 2 years or more, who find it difficult to pay their energy bills and need assistance, can apply to the Galon's Charity for an energy grant. At the November meeting, Trustees will then consider the amount of grant, depending on funds available, to be paid in the December.

An application form is available if you wish to apply for assistance from this scheme, from the Clerk to the Trustees. Or can be downloaded from the Charity website (linked from www.swavesey.org.uk)

Other Donations
In April donations are considered to local organisations that provide services from which villagers benefit. Donations can also be made to individual village residents, when the request falls within the limits of the Trust Scheme.

If you would like any further information on help available from the Thomas Galon Charity then please contact:
The Clerk to the Charity: Mrs Linda Miller, 21 Thistle Green, Swavesey. Tel: 202982
E-mail: thomasgaloncharity@swavesey.org.uk
or any of the Trustees as follows:

Mr A Day, Chairman (230050)
Mr B Baker (230344) Mr J Dodson (230560)
Mr R Holland (230077) Mr D Morgan (230249)
Ms H Parish (203035) Mr J Shepperson (230313)
Mr W Wright (232470) Rev Julie Anderson (231496)

All enquiries will be considered in strict confidence.

Further history on the charity can be found on the charity website, which is linked from the main village website at www.swavesey.org.uk

August 2017

Basketball and Table Tennis on the Recreation Green

Hopefully you will all have noticed the new games equipment installed on the Recreation Green during June. A permanent table tennis table and a triple games wall, which includes basketball, football goal, cricket wicket and target wall.

Both units have been provided with a permeable play surface surround to stop the grass becoming worn and muddy. However please could you note that this surface is not suitable to play on with football boots, studs or heeled shoes as these will damage it. Trainers or soft soled shoes only please.

The equipment has been provided following an approach to the Parish Council from three teenage boys last spring – Owen Mullee, Nathan Mott and Tommy Mott, who wanted something for teenagers to be able to use on the green, other than kicking a football around! Although of course the equipment is there for everyone of all ages to use. Owen, Nathan and Tommy researched various basketball and sports facilities in other local villages plus types of equipment available from manufacturers and together with input from the Parish Council a few options were costed up. With the amount of football pitches on the green, it was not easy to work out where something could be installed without it being too close to pitch side lines, too near to the road or hidden from view, which is why the triangular triple unit was the decided option.

The equipment was purchased using S106 outdoor community facility funds received from some of the recent house building in the village.

PIR lights will be installed on the far side and front of the pavilion to light up the basketball unit and table tennis table, so that in the winter afternoons it will be still be possible to use the equipment after School.

We hope you all enjoy using these new facilities and the Parish Council would like to thank Owen, Nathan and Tommy for approaching them with their ideas and for their help in researching what could be provided.

Swavesey Parish Council *(See inside front cover)*

Compass Café

"Encompasses the community"

Every Thursday morning from 10.30 until 12.00 at Bethel Baptist Church.

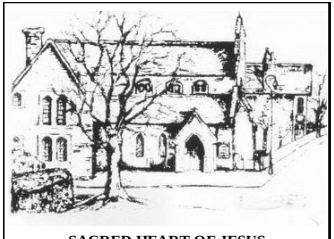
Run each week (inc. school holidays) by one of four groups in the village. Very reasonably priced home made cakes and fair trade tea and coffee. Toys for children each week and baby clinic on 4th Thursdays. All ages very welcome.

Would your group like to earn some extra money?

When there is a 5th Thursday in a month we are looking for other groups to run Compass Café. It is quite easy and instructions will be given. You will need 5/6 people, 6 homemade cakes, 4 pints of milk and some tea towels! Everything else is supplied.

Please contact Sue Ellington for more information: sue.ellington@virgin.net or 01954 202923

5th Thursdays in 2017: 30th March, 29th June, 31st August & 30th November



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Sunday 08.00 and 11.00

St Andrew's News

Since the last edition of the Meridian St Andrews has had another busy few months.
We have provided the venue and supported three excellent concerts by Prime Brass, Cara and the Swavesey Community Choir. They all produced music of the highest quality for the enjoyment of the village.

This year our brave teddies and other soft toys had their annual adrenaline rush by coming down a zip wire from the top of the tower, they get to alternate between parachuting and the zip wire. Next year will be parachuting so if your teddies are brave enough bring them along for some fun. We also had a competition for paper aeroplane making and flying, a church mouse hunt for the little ones and a treasure hunt for the older ones. It is always great to see the children running around and enjoying the church.

Most of you will be aware that we have had the lead stolen from the roof three times now. The theft of lead from East Anglian churches is very prevalent. Please if you see anything suspicious contact the police on 999. We are progressing to have the church roof repaired and made water tight again through a Heritage Lottery Grant. We have obtained planning permission from South Cambridgeshire District Council, English Heritage and the Church of England Authorities. Our application to the Lottery is in and we expect to hear if we have been accepted to move to the next phase in September. Well done to Iain Campbell for all his hard work.

Sadly, Beryl Hendry died on 17 May. Beryl was a very longstanding member of the St Andrew's congregation who gave an enormous amount to the church. Beryl's smiling face will be sadly missed. The large turnout for her funeral was testimony to how fondly villager's felt about her. She will be greatly missed and our thoughts and prayers are with her family.

If you have any questions about the church or need a visit from one of the clergy please contact Gillian in the office in the first instance or speak to one of the churchwardens.

The Parish and Priory Church of St Andrew, Swavesey

A warm welcome awaits you at all the services and events of your parish church.

Service Pattern

1st Sunday of the month	11:00AM	Holy Communion
2nd Sunday of the month	8:00 AM 11:00 AM	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) Holy Communion
3rd Sunday of the month	11:00 AM 7:00 PM	Holy Communion Sunday Sanctuary – Bethel Baptist Church
4th Sunday of the month	11:00 AM	All Age Service
5th Sunday of the month	11:00 AM	Holy Communion at one of the 5 Folds Churches

To arrange weddings, baptisms, funerals, services of thanksgiving for the gift of a child please contact the Priest in Charge, Team Vicar or the Team Administrator:

Team Administrator:
Gillian Beal — Telephone: 01954 230459 (Monday to Thursday 10:00 to 12:00

Priest In Charge:
Revd. Julie Anderson. — Telephone: 01954 231496 or Email: julie_anderson51@yahoo.co.uk.

Team Vicar:
Revd Lynda Davies — Telephone: 01954 202912 or Email: revlyndadavies559@gmail.com

To arrange use of the church for concerts or other events please contact either of the churchwardens:

Mr Iain Campbell. — Telephone: 01954 230019 or Email: IainJ.Campbell@sky.com

Mr Martin Herrington — Telephone: 01954 230894 or Email: ms_herrington@yahoo.co.uk

St Andrew's Church Swavesey

The Parish and Priory Church of St Andrew, Swavesey

Children and young people are very welcome at St Andrew's.

Sunday School

Children from the age of five are welcome to join our Sunday school each week during the 11 AM service except, the 4th Sunday of the month when it is a Family Service and the children are in church.
For younger children, or those who prefer to stay with their parents we have "fidget bags" (bags of books and toys) for use during the services.

Church Choir

Our Church choir welcomes new members. We're a friendly group that performs items for special services, accompanies the main church services and leads congregational singing. We cover a mix of traditional choral work and more modern styles. Pieces range from four-part to unison. We're particularly keen to recruit tenors and basses but all voices are welcome.
Contact John Mullett: Telephone: 077026 79191 or Email: johnajmullett@gmail.com

Entertainments

We host a variety of events and entertainment throughout the year for both young and old. Some events are for outreach and some to raise funds for the work of the church. If you would like to know what we are doing please see the notice boards in the church or contact our entertainments leader.

Contact Jacqui Fuller: Telephone: 01954 230774
Email: Jacqui_fuller@hotmail.com

Compass Café

We host Compass Café on the third Thursday of each month at Bethel Baptist Church, 10.30 until 12 noon. Come along for a drink and a chat

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

113 Middle Watch, Swavesey, Cambridgeshire CB24 4RP
www.bethelbaptistchurch.org.uk

LIVELY SUNDAY SERVICE

All WELCOME

Something for ALL the family!
10:45 am each week
with activities for children of all ages

First Sunday in the Month:
Church around the coffee table
Why not come and try it?

MONDAY NIGHT CLUBS

Explorers and Adventurers
Fun and Games for Children in
Keystages 1 and 2

Come and Join us at **6:00pm on Mondays** for an hour of fun activities as we learn about the Christian faith through stories, music and discussions.
(Survivors now meet on Wednesdays at 6:00pm)

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

SURVIVORS

Students key stage 3 and above
Come and Join us at **6:00pm on Wednesday** for some fun, food, games and Biblical discussions

the Hub @ Bethel

Open Access Youth Café for Students

Year 6 and 7

Wireless Internet Access — Music — XBox

Wii — Tuck Shop — Table Tennis

and many more activities

Fridays 7pm to 9pm
Bethel Baptist Church Swavesey
(Parents are required to sign and return consent form)

For more information on all of our events and activities:
Please feel free to contact David Mann, our minister at:
minister@bethelbaptistchurch.org.uk or 01954230458

Popular money course to run again as people say they need tactics to cope with the age of austerity

Swavesey residents are being given another chance to get their finances in order with a popular free course being run by a local church.

Members of Bethel Baptist Church in Swavesey, who have been trained by UK charity Christians Against Poverty, are again running the three sessions aimed at helping the local community to best handle the current economic downturn.

Money coach John Snead, who will be leading the sessions called the CAP Money Course, said: "If you know how to save and budget effectively, it can have a hugely positive impact on the whole family. With households feeling the squeeze on their disposable income, we've all got to get a bit more savvy about our money to get through these tough times."

Bethel Baptist Church is one of more than 1,000 churches of different Christian traditions across the UK who are regularly offering the course, as they work together to positively impact the communities around them.

The CAP Money Course has been found to be useful for newly retired people, soon-to-be students, mums dealing with mounting bills, families saving for a wedding and everyone in between.

He added: "We hope that we can help people, quietly and confidentially, take the guess work out of their situation so they can plan for the future, sort out any problems early and come through unscathed."

The next course takes place at Bethel Baptist, 113 Middlewatch, starting at 7.00pm on Tuesday September 19th.

To find out more about the CAP Money Course, or to book your place on the course:

- visit www.capmoneycourse.org,
- email capmoney@bethelbaptistchurch.org.uk, or
- telephone John Snead on 01954 230677.

Community Groups & Charities

Cam Sight	Cam Sight is a local charity which offers support to anyone with a visual impairment, along with their family and carers. We meet on the 4th Wednesday afternoon of each month in Bar Hill. For more information please telephone Joan in Bar Hill on 01954 200622 or Alison at Cam Sight on 01223 420033 or email alison@camsight.org.uk. For more info see:-www.camsight.org.uk
Cambridgeshire Hearing Help	CHH is a charity that helps people with hearing loss. Volunteers service NHS hearing aids and provide batteries and they attend Swavesey quarterly at Thistle Green. Advice on any aspects of hearing loss is available at a hearing help session or by calling the office on 01223 416141, e-mail enquiries@cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk or check the website cambridgeshirehearinghelp.org.uk
Care Network	Care Network supports volunteers, encourages independence and develops good neighbour projects. We provide the Welcome Home from Hospital service across Cambridgeshire. Contact:- Care Network, 5 Broadway House, 149-151 St Neots Rd, Hardwick, Cambridge, CB23 7QJ (tel: 01954 211919).
Community First Responder Scheme	The local group in Over and Swavesey has provided help over many hours and attended over 20 patients in your community. You can support the group and help to fund raise for equipment or volunteer to become a Community First Responder within your community. Contact:- responderadmin@eastamb.nhs.uk or call 01284 731802
Hearing Dogs for Deaf People	Hearing Dogs for Deaf People is a national charity and centre of excellence in training dogs to alert deaf people to important sounds and danger signals in the home, work place and public buildings. Contact:- Jenny Parker (Branch Organiser and Speaker) 01223 833562 (evenings only), jennifer.parker5@btopenworld.com
The Friends of the Rosie Hospital	The Friends of the Rosie Hospital are helping to make the Rosie a more comfortable environment for mothers and babies. Contact:- Mrs Mary Sanders (Hon Chair) rosieinstitches@ukonline.co.uk Tel 01223 356615
East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH)	Put your free time to good use and volunteer at East Anglia's Children's Hospice (EACH) in Milton. Volunteering at a children's hospice doesn't always mean care work and fundraising as there are also tasks such as admin and maintenance of the grounds. Contact:- Clare Bates on 01223 815 134, email clare.bates@each.org.uk
Community Resourcing	We have a small group of local volunteers (local residents from our community) who would like to help other members of our community with any practical tasks. Contact:- Parish Council Tel: 01954 202982 or Email: clerk@swavesey.org.uk
Help the Heroes	We support those wounded in the service of our country. Contact:- 01480 478526
OWLS Community Car Scheme	Run by CRB checked volunteers the scheme offers a door-to-door service, for medical or some social journeys, to people who are unable to access other forms of transport. Ring 07505 254363 to book a journey, find out more, or to volunteer as a driver
Swavesey Village College Community Education	Evening courses in a variety of subjects and day workshops. Contact:- Adult Education, Swavesey Village College, Gibraltar Lane, Swavesey, Cambs, CB24 4RS. Telephone: 01954 230373 E-mail: community@swaveseyvc.co.uk Website: www.swaveseyvc.co.uk

CLUB INFORMATION

Army Cadet Force	Swavesey Detachment, No 2 (Cromwell) Company, Cambridgeshire Army Cadet Force meets each Tuesday evening at the Swavesey Village College from 7 pm. New recruits are welcomed from ages 12 years (year 8) to 18 years. Contact - Alan Stagg on 01480 830708
Over District Girlguiding Swavesey and Over	**Unit** / **Evening** / **Contact** Swavesey Rainbows / Thurs / caroline@overroad.co.uk Swavesey Brownies / Mon / brownowl1@virginmedia.com Swavesey Guides / Thurs / swaveseyguides@gmail.com Over Rainbows / Mon & Tue Over Brownies / Wed & Thurs Over Guides / Tue * For information about the Over units or to volunteer in girlguiding, please email:- overdistrictcomm@gmail.com
Swavesey Spartans	Swavesey Spartans are a Chartered Standard Youth Football Club affiliated to Cambridgeshire Football Association. The club runs boys and girls teams from under 6 through to under 17. For information and enquiries please contact:- Chairman - Dave Morrison on 07469 170318 Secretary - Dave Rudderham on 01954 203258 Club Welfare Officer - Carolyn Merricks on 01954 204972
Swavesey Five-a-Side Football Club	Meet each Wednesday evening at 7pm until 8pm in the Sports Hall at SVC. Anyone interested should contact Stewart Smith on 07803050234 s2art53@yahoo.co.uk
1st Swavesey Scout Group	All sections meet on Tuesday at the Scout Hut on the SVC site Beavers - 16:45 to 17:45 Contact Heather Maloney e: hjmaloney@googlemail.com Cubs - 18:00 to 19:15 Contact Lisa Boyes e: windmillkennels@oneservice.co.uk Scouts - 19:30 to 21:00 Contact Jim Burling e: jim.burling@1stswaveseyscoutgroup.org.uk For any other Scouting issues, contact Lynda Mayer e: s.mayer@ntlworld.com
Swavesey Kids Club	Swavesey Kids Club provides craft/play activities and care for children before and after school, in a friendly and secure environment. Breakfast Club – meets from 7.30am in the Primary School Hall, with breakfast available until 8.15am. After School Club meets 3.15pm-6.00pm weekdays in term time at Swavesey Primary School. For information about either club please contact Carol Panther (manager) 07803812221
Swavesey Music School	Meets every Saturday of term time at Swavesey Village College Only £3.00 per session. For further details contact: Audrey Caldwell: acaldwell.chk@swaveseyvc.co.uk
Health and Wellbeing Club	A club for older adults which runs on the last Tuesday of the month with the exception of December. The group meets at the Community Centre, Thistle Green, Swavesey from 10.00 to 11.30am. Refreshments, chair-based exercises, speakers and time for conversation. No booking is required and the group is Free.

British Tang Soo Do Institute	British Tang Soo Do Institute practices the Korean martial art of Tang Soo Do. Our club training covers self defence techniques and many aspects of fitness including flexibility, coordination, conditioning, balance and discipline helping to promote a healthy lifestyle. For further information please contact Master Jeff Cockram on 07863 345681 or jeff@btsdi.co.uk or see our website: www.btsdi.com
Swavesey Tang Soo Do Club	Classes are held Monday 18:30-20:00 in the main hall at the Primary School, Swavesey and Wednesday 18:30-20:00 in the Memorial Hall. We are a family run club offering Martial Arts training in a friendly atmosphere. Training is available for all ages from 5 and over. Children, adult beginners, family groups and people with previous martial arts experience are all welcome. Contact Louise Morton on 07711 256512 Email: enquiries@swaveseytsd.co.uk - website: http://www.swaveseytsd.co.uk/
Allotments in Swavesey	Down Hale Road towards the windmill and on the right there are 61 plots, mostly 150 sq yds (125 m2) in area, backed up by eight water tanks. Large yields of a wide range of high quality vegetable, fruit and flower crops can be grown successfully. If you are interested in joining the waiting list contact Selwyn Richardson on 01954 202974.
British Legion	For information contact:- Chairman - Robert W Bond (01954) 203645 or Secretary Angela Dye (01954) 230484
Swavesey Badminton Club	Located at the Swavesey Village College Sports Centre. The Club offers a high standard of play at club nights on Tuesdays 7pm to 8pm and on Fridays from 6.30pm to 9.30pm. We play competitive badminton in the Cambridge leagues and run men's, women's and mixed teams. Contact Helen Taylor on 01954 230997 Email: enquiries@swaveseybadminton.net website: http://www.swaveseybadminton.net/
Swavesey Billiards and Snooker Club	For information/membership please contact Graeme Waites (01954 230113)
Swavesey Camera Club	At Swavesey Camera Club we are proud to cater for photographers of all standards. For more information visit our website at www.swaveseycameraclub.co.uk. We meet every Thursday, 7.30 - 9.30pm, Lecture Room, SVC. Non-members welcome - £4 charge (first visit free). For further details please ring John Turner (01954) 202076.
Fenland Squash Club	If you are interested in playing squash at Swavesey Village College then contact Geoff Green on (01954 231000) Website: www.fenlandsquash.org.uk

Over Netball Club	We train on a Tuesday night 7pm till 8.30pm on the outdoor courts at Swavesey Village College. Small friendly club, play in CDNL local league, beginners/ everyone welcome. Cost £3 per session. Contact is Lindsay Foster - lindsayfoster001@gmail.com 01954 202070 or 07543 460725
Swavesey Community Choir	If you enjoy singing and having fun then come and join Swavesey Community Choir. We meet every Wednesday in term time in St. Cecilia's Hall at SVC, from 7.30pm - 9pm. You don't need to be able to read music and no auditions needed, tenor and bass voices particularly welcome. For further details contact Chrissie Richardson 07881 824095. Website: www.swaveseycommunitychoir.co.uk
Swavesey District Bridleway Association	A liaison group representing local horse riders whose main aim is to protect existing and create safe new horse riding links between all local villages. New members welcome. Regular Newsletter/Social events calendar. Please contact Sue Rogers (01954) 232758
Swavesey & District History Society	Meet every third Tuesday in the month, 7.30pm, Global Resources Centre, SVC. Contact Carolyn Redmayne, Secretary (01954) 230037
Swavesey Institute Football Club	New players always welcome, please contact Phil Baines on 01954 200377 [Saturday sides] or Jerry Ladell on (01954) 201018 [Veterans side].
Linedance	Linedance classes held on Wednesday mornings at the Bethel Baptist Chapel 9-30 to 11-30am and Fridays at the Memorial Hall 7-15 to 9-15pm. All levels welcome, from absolute beginners to intermediates. Contact Deborah Walker 01954231382 email deborahwalker105@talktalk.net
Swavesey & Over Conservation Society	Autumn/Winter meetings on the second Wednesday of the month at Over Town Hall starting in September at 7.30pm Contacts: Frances Parish: 01480 498301 or Pat Miles 01954 780485 if you need further information. New members always welcome!
Swavesey & Over Tennis Club	Club night 1 October to 1 April is on Monday, 7.30pm. From 1 April – 30 September there will be club nights on both Mondays and Fridays. We welcome new members from anywhere in the locality. Further information from John Graham john.graham@sotennis.co.uk or website http://swaveseyandovertennisclub.btck.co.uk/
Swavesey RADSoc	Friendly local drama group staging two or three productions a year. New members always welcome. Contact: Chris Avery (01954) 781233. Visit our website at www.swaveseyradsoc.org.uk.
Swavesey Ramblers	Meet last Sunday of every month 10.00am in the Market Street for 5-6 mile walk. Tel 230650 and speak to Glynn & Sue Jones for more information
Swavesey W.I.	We meet every second Monday of the month at 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. New members are always welcome to enjoy a variety of invited speakers and have a chat and cup of tea/coffee afterwards. For further information contact Linda Saunders (01954) 201162

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Please use this form to notify us of any major events you are organising so that we can publish the dates in the magazine and on the website at www.swaveseymeridian.org.uk It is hoped this will avoid major events clashing on the same day. Please send to the Editor, 14 Black Horse Lane, Swavesey.

Event _____

Location _____ Date _____ Time _____

Contact Name _____ Tel No. _____

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES & SPECIAL OCCASIONS

If you would like to mark any occasion that is special to you or somebody that you know by announcing it in this magazine, please fill in the form below.

Also supply your name and contact details, and return to the Editor by the copy date. We will endeavour to include it in our next issue.

SHORT MESSAGE:

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Open 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. on both days

Our stalls will be selling a wide range of produce in the car park at the allotment site in Hale Road

Everyone welcome. You can come and walk round the site too. Plenty of parking available.